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PROPOSED PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1994-1995

Report of the Fifth Committee

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1. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 24 September 1993, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its forty-eighth session the item entitled "Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 24th, 26th to 28th and 30th to 46th meetings, on 24 and 30 November and 2, 3, 7 to 11, 13, 15 and 16 to 22 December 1993.

3. The comments and observations made in the course of the discussion of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (see A/C.5/48/SR.24, 26-28 and 30-46).

4. Section II of the present report reflects the decisions taken by the Fifth Committee on first reading on individual expenditure and income sections.

5. Under section III of the present report a summary is provided of the recommendations of the Fifth Committee during the current session on revised estimates submitted by the Secretary-General as well as on the programme budget implications of the resolutions adopted by the General Assembly either on the recommendations of its Main Committees or in respect of items dealt with in plenary meeting.

6. Section IV of the present report provides a summary of the special subjects considered by the Fifth Committee, other than the programme budget implications of draft resolutions recommended by other Main Committees, which led to the adoption of specific decisions to be recommended to the General Assembly.

7. The recommendations of the Fifth Committee are contained in section V of the present report.

I. INTRODUCTION

8. Under agenda item 123, the Fifth Committee considered the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995. The Committee recommends a gross appropriation of $2,580,200,200 and an estimate for income (other than income derived from staff assessment) of $66,037,500. The net expenditure for the biennium 1994-1995 is thus estimated at $2,514,162,700. 1/

9. With regard to the Working Capital Fund, the Fifth Committee recommends that the Fund should be at the level of $100 million.

10. The Fifth Committee also recommends an estimate of $411,364,200 as staff assessment for transfer in the course of the biennium 1994-1995 to the Tax Equalization Fund, from which credits are distributed to Member States in accordance with General Assembly resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955.

11. For its examination of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995, the Fifth Committee had before it as basic documents the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995 submitted by the Secretary-General (A/48/6/Rev.1), 2/ the first report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995 (A/48/7) 3/ and the report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on the work of its thirty-third session (A/48/16, Parts I and II). 4/ Revised estimates and programme budget implications affecting various appropriation sections were subsequently considered on the basis of reports of the Secretary-General and of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

12. In accordance with the guidelines for the contingency fund as annexed to General Assembly resolution 42/211 of 21 December 1987, the Fifth Committee, at its 45th meeting, on 21 December 1993, considered a consolidated statement of all programme budget implications and revised estimates that were subject to the criteria for the use of the contingency fund (A/C.5/48/63) and the corresponding report of the Advisory Committee, which was presented orally. The consolidated amount fell within the available balance of the contingency fund. The Committee, therefore, proceeded to approve the required amounts under the relevant sections of the programme budget.

13. The general debate on the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995 was held at the 24th, 26th to 28th, 30th to 32nd, 34th, 36th and

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1/ The financing of the requirements for 1994 is dealt with in draft resolution IV C (see para. 39).

2/ To be issued in final form as Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 6 (A/48/6/Rev.1).

3/ Ibid., Supplement No. 7 (A/48/7).

4/ Ibid., Supplement No. 16 (A/48/16, Parts I and II).

38th meetings, held on 24 and 30 November and 2, 4, 7 to 11 and 13 December 1993. The debate is reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/48/SR.24, 26-28, 30-32, 34, 36, 38).

14. Introductory statements were made by the Secretary-General and the Chairman of the Committee for Programme and Coordination at the 24th meeting, on 24 November (see A/C.5/48/SR.24). The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the Committee's report at the 31st meeting, on 8 December (see A/C.5/48/SR.31).

15. The reservations expressed by the delegations with respect to certain items of expenditure included in the budget estimates are reflected in the relevant summary records of the Committee.

16. Individual sections for the proposed programme budget were considered in first reading by the Committee during the meetings indicated below:

Section Expenditure sections	Meetings
1	32nd, 33rd, 45th
2	32nd, 33rd, 45th
3	32nd, 33rd, 45th
4	32nd, 33rd, 45th
5	32nd, 33rd, 45th
6	32nd, 33rd, 45th
7	32nd, 33rd, 45th
8	34th, 35th, 45th
9	34th, 35th, 45th
10	34th, 35th, 45th
11	34th, 35th, 45th
12	34th, 35th, 45th
13	34th, 35th, 45th
14	34th, 35th, 45th
15	34th, 35th, 45th
16	34th, 35th, 45th
17	34th, 35th, 45th
18	34th, 35th, 45th
19	34th, 35th, 45th
20	34th, 35th, 45th
21	34th, 35th, 45th
22	34th, 35th, 45th
23	34th, 35th, 45th
24	34th, 35th, 45th
25	35th, 36th, 45th
26	37th, 45th
27	37th, 45th
28	37th, 45th
29	37th, 45th
30	37th, 45th

Section Income sections	Meetings
1	37th, 45th
2	37th, 45th
3	37th, 45th

II. FIRST READING OF THE BUDGET ESTIMATES

17. The results of the decisions taken by the Committee at the first reading on individual expenditure and income sections:

			Recommended appropriations (United States dollars)	
Expenditure sections				
PART I.	Overall policy-making, direction and coordination			
	1.	Overall policy-making, direction and coordination	37 370 100	Adopted without a vote
	2.	United Nations integrated offices	-	
PART II.	Political affairs			
	3.	Political affairs	67 970 400	Adopted without a vote
	4.	Peace-keeping operations and special missions	86 926 600	Adopted without a vote
PART III.	International justice and law			
	5.	International Court of Justice	18 329 400	Adopted without a vote
	6.	International War Crimes Tribunal	-	
	7.	Legal activities	32 490 000	Adopted without a vote
PART IV.	International cooperation for development			
	8.	Department for Policy Coordination and Sustainable Development	49 805 600	Adopted without a vote
	9.	Department for Economic and Social Information and Policy Analysis	46 749 700	Adopted without a vote
	10.	Department for Development Support and Management Services	29 385 800	Adopted without a vote
	11A.	United Nations Conference on Trade and Development	108 296 400	Adopted without a vote
	11B.	International Trade Centre	19 982 200	Adopted without a vote

			Recommended appropriations (United States dollars)	
	12A.	United Nations Environment Programme	11 384 500	Adopted without a vote
	12B.	United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat)	11 854 300	Adopted without a vote
	13.	Crime control	4 638 200	Adopted without a vote
	14.	International drug control	13 998 700	Adopted without a vote
PART V.	Regional cooperation for development			
	15.	Economic Commission for Africa	77 845 000	Adopted without a vote
	16.	Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific	59 846 200	Adopted without a vote
	17.	Economic Commission for Europe	44 684 500	Adopted without a vote
	18.	Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean	79 992 600	Adopted without a vote
	19.	Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia	38 226 600	Adopted without a vote
	20.	Regular programme of technical cooperation	42 910 000	Adopted without a vote
PART VI.	Human rights and humanitarian affairs			
	21.	Human rights	35 513 300	Adopted without a vote
	22A.	Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees	45 329 400	Adopted without a vote
	22B.	United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East	21 007 900	Adopted without a vote
	23.	Department of Humanitarian Affairs	18 541 200	Adopted without a vote
PART VII.	Public information			
	24.	Public information	130 788 900	Adopted without a vote
PART VIII.	Common support services			
	25.	Administration and management	888 285 100	Adopted without a vote
PART IX.	Jointly financed activities and special expenses			
	26.	Jointly financed administrative activities	26 192 800	Adopted without a vote
	27.	Special expenses	31 780 400	Adopted without a vote

			Recommended appropriations (United States dollars)	
PART X.	Staff assessment			
	28.	Staff assessment	402 764 900	Adopted without a vote
PART XI.	Capital expenditures			
	29.	Technological innovations	18 841 500	Adopted without a vote
	30.	Construction, alteration, improvement and major maintenance	58 306 900	Adopted without a vote
		Total, expenditure section	2 560 039 100	
Income sections				
	1.	Income from staff assessment	409 180 100	Adopted without a vote
	2.	General income	59 258 800	Adopted without a vote
	3.	Services to the public	6 778 700	Adopted without a vote
		Total, income section	475 217 600	

III. SECOND READING OF THE BUDGET ESTIMATES

18. Decisions taken at the first reading by the Fifth Committee concerning certain expenditure and income sections were affected by actions taken by the Committee on questions relating to the proposed programme budget (see para. 39, draft resolution III) and by actions taken on the basis of the recommendations of the Advisory Committee regarding certain revised estimates submitted by the Secretary-General and on the appropriations required for the implementation of resolutions adopted by the General Assembly at its current session on the recommendation of other Main Committees.

19. The requirements under the various sections of the programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995 approved by the Fifth Committee are as follows:

		Amount approved (United States dollars)	Total
Expenditure sections			
1.	Overall policy-making, direction and coordination		
	Approved in first reading at the 45th meeting	37 370 100	
	Revised estimates:		
	High-level posts (A/C.5/48/9/Add.1, A/48/7/Add.2, A/C.5/48/SR.43)	(320 300)	
	Total, section 1		37 049 800
2.	United Nations integrated offices		
	Total, section 2		-
3.	Political affairs		
	I. Approved in first reading at the 45th meeting	67 970 400	
	II. Financial implications:		
	Comprehensive nuclear-test-ban treaty (A/C.5/48/34, A/C.5/48/SR.38, A/48/759)	184 000	
	Question of equitable representation on and increase in membership of the Security Council (A/C.5/48/38, A/C.5/48/SR.27, A/48/710)	74 400	
	Elimination of apartheid and establishment of a united, democratic and non-racial South Africa (A/C.5/48/59, A/C.5/48/SR.43)	(690 000)	
	III. Revised estimates:		
	Revised estimates under section 3, Political affairs	419 000	
	High-level posts (A/C.5/48/9/Add.1, A/48/7/Add.2, A/C.5/48/SR.44)	(34 200)	
	Total, section 3		67 923 600
4.	Peace-keeping operations and special missions		
	I. Approved in first reading at the 45th meeting	86 926 600	
	II. Revised estimates:		
	Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in South Africa (A/C.5/48/28, A/48/745, A/C.5/48/SR.39 and 40)	8 994 100	
	High-level posts (A/C.5/48/9/Add.1, A/C.5/48/7/Add.2, A/C.5/48/SR.43)	320 300	
	Financing of the International Civilian Mission to Haiti (A/C.5/48/27, A/48/7/Add.3, A/C.5/48/SR.44)	4 000 000	
	Office of the Secretary-General in Afghanistan and Pakistan (A/C.5/48/41, A/C.5/48/SR.44)	1 000 000	

		Amount approved (United States dollars)	Total
	III. Financial implications:		
	The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development (A/C.5/48/50, A/C.5/48/SR.43)	332 200	
	Total, section 4		101 573 200
5.	International Court of Justice		
	Approved in first reading at the 45th meeting	18 329 400	
	Total, section 5		18 329 400
6.	International War Crimes Tribunal		
	Total, section 6		-
7.	Legal activities		
	Approved in first reading at the 45th meeting	32 490 000	
	Total, section 7		32 490 000
8.	Department for Policy Coordination and Sustainable Development		
	I. Approved in first reading at the 45th meeting	49 805 600	
	II. Revised estimates:		
	Resolutions and decisions of the Economic and Social Council at its organizational and substantive sessions of 1993 (A/C.5/48/19 and Corr.1, A/48/7/Add.4, A/C.5/48/SR.44)	397 500	
	III. Financial implications:		
	New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s (A/C.5/48/64, A/C.5/48/SR.45)	152 500	
	Total, section 8		50 355 600
9.	Department for Economic and Social Information and Policy Analysis		
	I. Approved in first reading at the 45th meeting	46 749 700	
	II. Revised estimates:		
	Resolutions and decisions of the Economic and Social Council at its organizational and substantive sessions of 1993 (A/C.5/48/19 and Corr.1, A/48/7/Add.4, A/C.5/48/SR.44)	66 000	
	Total, section 9		46 815 700
10.	Department for Development Support and Management Services		
	Approved in first reading at the 45th meeting	29 385 800	
	Total, section 10		29 385 800

		Amount approved (United States dollars)	Total
11A.	United Nations Conference on Trade and Development		
	Approved in first reading at the 45th meeting	108 296 400	
	Total, section 11A		108 296 400
11B.	International Trade Centre		
	Approved in first reading at the 45th meeting	19 982 200	
	Total, section 11B		19 982 200
12A.	United Nations Environment Programme		
	Approved in first reading at the 45th meeting	11 384 500	
	Total, section 12A		11 384 500
12B.	United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat)		
	Approved in first reading at the 45th meeting	11 854 300	
	Total, section 12B		11 854 300
13.	Crime control		
	Approved in first reading at the 45th meeting	4 638 200	
	Total, section 13		4 638 200
14.	International drug control		
	Approved in first reading at the 45th meeting	13 998 700	
	Total, section 14		13 998 700
15.	Economic Commission for Africa		
	I. Approved in first reading at the 45th meeting	77 845 000	
	II. Financial implications:		
	Second Transport and Communications Decade in Africa (A/C.5/48/53, A/C.5/48/SR.43)	175 100	
	Total, section 15		78 020 100
16.	Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific		
	Approved in first reading at the 45th meeting	59 846 200	
	Total, section 16		59 846 200
17.	Economic Commission for Europe		
	Approved in first reading at the 45th meeting	44 684 500	
	Total, section 17		44 684 500
18.	Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean		
	Approved in first reading at the 45th meeting	79 992 600	
	Total, section 18		79 992 600

		Amount approved (United States dollars)	Total
19.	Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia		
	Approved in first reading at the 45th meeting	38 226 600	
	Total, section 19		38 226 600
20.	Regular programme of technical cooperation		
	Approved in first reading at the 45th meeting	42 910 000	
	Total, section 20		42 910 000
21.	Human rights		
	I. Approved in first reading at the 45th meeting	35 513 300	
	II. Revised estimates:		
	Resolutions and decisions of the Economic and Social Council at its organizational and substantive sessions of 1993 (A/C.5/48/19 and Corr.1, A/48/7/Add.4, A/C.5/48/SR.44)	550 000	
	Total, section 21		36 063 300
22A.	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees		
	Approved in first reading at the 45th meeting	45 329 400	
	Total, section 22A		45 329 400
22B.	United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East		
	Approved in first reading at the 45th meeting	21 007 900	
	Total, section 22B		21 007 900
23.	Department of Humanitarian Affairs		
	Approved in first reading at the 45th meeting	18 541 200	
	Total, section 23		18 541 200
24.	Public information		
	I. Approved in first reading at the 45th meeting	130 788 900	
	II. Financial implications:		
	Operational activities for development (A/C.5/48/55, A/C.5/48/SR.43)	2 356 400	
	Total, section 24		133 145 300
25.	Administration and management		
	I. Approved in first reading at the 45th meeting	888 285 100	
	II. Revised estimates:		
	Office for Inspections and Investigations (A/C.5/48/42, A/C.5/48/SR.43)	(11 429 100)	
	Total, section 25		876 856 000

		Amount approved (United States dollars)	Total
26.	Jointly financed administrative activities		
	Approved in first reading at the 45th meeting	26 192 800	
	Total, section 26		26 192 800
27.	Special expenses		
	Approved in first reading at the 45th meeting	31 780 400	
	Total, section 27		31 780 400
28.	Staff assessment		
	I. Approved in first reading at the 45th meeting	402 764 900	
	II. Financial implications:		
	Comprehensive nuclear-test-ban treaty (A/C.5/48/34, A/C.5/48/SR.38, A/48/759)	51 500	
	Question of equitable representation on and increase in membership of the Security Council (A/C.5/48/38, A/C.5/48/SR.27, A/48/710)	19 800	
	The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development (A/C.5/48/50, A/C.5/48/SR.43)	78 100	
	Operational activities for development (A/C.5/48/55, A/C.5/48/SR.43)	446 800	
	III. Revised estimates:		
	High-level posts (A/C.5/48/9/Add.1, A/C.5/48/7/Add.2, A/C.5/48/SR.43)	13 800	
	Office of the Secretary-General in Afghanistan and Pakistan (A/C.5/48/41, A/C.5/48/SR.44)	135 400	
	Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in South Africa (A/C.5/48/28, A/48/745, A/C.5/48/SR.39 and 40)	1 324 300	
	Revised estimates under section 3, Political affairs (A/C.5/48/39, A/C.5/48/SR.43)	114 400	
	Total, section 28		404 949 000
29.	Technological innovations		
	Approved in first reading at the 45th meeting	18 841 500	
	Total, section 29		18 841 500
30.	Construction, alteration, improvement and major maintenance		
	I. Approved in first reading at the 45th meeting	58 306 900	
	Total, section 30		58 306 900

		Amount approved (United States dollars)	Total
31.	Office for Inspections and Investigations		
	I. Approved in first reading	-	
	II. Revised estimates:		
	Office for Inspections and Investigations (A/C.5/48/42, A/C.5/48/SR.43)	11 429 100	
	Total, section 31		11 429 100
	Total, expenditure sections		2 580 200 200
Income sections			
1.	Income from staff assessment		
	I. Approved in first reading at the 45th meeting	409 180 100	
	II. Financial implications:		
	Comprehensive nuclear-test-ban treaty (A/C.5/48/34, A/C.5/48/SR.38, A/48/759)	51 500	
	Question of equitable representation on and increase in membership of the Security Council (A/C.5/48/38, A/C.5/48/SR.27, A/48/710)	19 800	
	The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development (A/C.5/48/50, A/C.5/48/SR.43)	78 100	
	Operational activities for development (A/C.5/48/55, A/C.5/48/SR.43)	446 800	
	III. Revised estimates:		
	Revised estimates under section 3, Political affairs (A/C.5/48/39, A/C.5/48/SR.43)	114 400	
	High-level posts (A/C.5/48/9/Add.1, A/48/7/Add.2, A/C.5/48/SR.43)	13 800	
	Office of the Secretary-General in Afghanistan and Pakistan (A/C.5/48/41, A/C.5/48/SR.44)	135 400	
	Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in South Africa (A/C.5/48/28, A/48/745, A/C.5/48/SR.39 and 40)	1 324 300	
	Total, income from staff assessment		411 364 200
2.	General income		
	Approved in first reading at the 45th meeting	59 258 800	
	Total, general income		59 258 800

		Amount approved (United States dollars)	Total
3.	Services to the public		
	Approved in first reading at the 45th meeting	6 778 700	
	Total, services to the public		6 778 700
	Total, income sections		477 401 700

20. At its 45th meeting, on 21 December, the Vice-Chairman introduced draft resolution A/C.5/48/L.34 and orally revised it. The Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote (see para. 32, draft resolution I). At the same meeting, the Vice-Chairman introduced draft decision A/C.5/48/L.36 and orally revised it. The Committee adopted the draft decision without a vote (see para. 40).

21. At the same meeting, the Committee considered the report of the Secretary-General on unforeseen and extraordinary expenses for the biennium 1994-1995 (A/C.5/48/52). The report of the Advisory Committee was presented orally by its Chairman. At the same meeting the Committee, based on the recommendation of the Advisory Committee, revised the draft resolution in the annex to the Secretary-General's report and proceeded to adopt it (see para. 39, draft resolution II).

22. At its 46th meeting, on 22 December, the Committee considered the second reading of the proposed programme budget. At the same meeting the Committee adopted draft resolutions III, IV A to C and V (see para. 39, draft resolutions III and IV A to C and V).

IV. CONSIDERATION OF SPECIAL SUBJECTS

1. United Nations Observer Mission in South Africa

23. The Committee considered this question at its 39th and 40th meetings, on 15 and 16 December. It had before it the report of the Secretary-General (A/C.5/48/28) and the related report of the Advisory Committee (A/48/745).

24. At the 40th meeting, the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend that the General Assembly take note of the report of the Secretary-General (A/C.5/48/28), endorse the recommendations of the Advisory Committee (A/48/745), concur in particular with paragraph 8 of the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and request the Secretary-General, in administering the appropriation, to take full account of the recommendations in paragraphs 9 and 10 of the report of the Advisory Committee (see para. 39, draft resolution III).

2. Revised estimates under sections 25, Administration and management, and 31, Office for Inspections and Investigations

25. The Committee considered this question at its 43rd meeting, on 18 December. It had before it the reports of the Secretary-General (A/C.5/48/42 and A/C.5/48/9 and Corr.1 and Add.1). The report of the Advisory Committee was presented orally by its Chairman.

26. At the same meeting, the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend that the General Assembly approve the proposals of the Secretary-General in paragraph 32 of his report regarding the redeployment of resources from section 25 to section 31 of the programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995 and decide to continue the current arrangements as contained in the Secretary-

General's report, pending a review of the issue at its resumed forty-eighth session (see para. 39, draft resolution III).

3. Revised estimates resulting from resolutions and decisions of the Economic and Social Council at its organizational and substantive sessions of 1993

27. The Committee considered this question at its 44th meeting, on 19 December. It had before it the report of the Secretary-General (A/C.5/48/19 and Corr.1) and the related report of the Advisory Committee (A/48/7/Add.4).

28. At the same meeting, the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend that the General Assembly approve, on an exceptional basis, the travel expenses of the representatives of the least developed countries attending the regional preparatory meetings of the Ninth United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders and the Congress itself in accordance with the request in Economic and Social Council resolution 1993/32 (see para. 39, draft resolution III).

4. Financing of the International Civilian Mission to Haiti

29. The Committee considered this question at its 44th meeting, on 19 December. It had before it the report of the Secretary-General (A/C.5/48/27) and the related report of the Advisory Committee (A/48/7/Add.3).

30. At the same meeting, the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend that the General Assembly take note of the report of the Secretary-General, endorse the recommendations of the Advisory Committee, approve the estimate of $4,000,000 for the International Civilian Mission to Haiti for the period 1 January to 31 March 1994 and authorize the Secretary-General, should the Mission continue beyond 31 March 1994, to seek the concurrence of the Advisory Committee to enter into related commitments under the terms of the Assembly resolution to be adopted on unforeseen and extraordinary expenses for the biennium 1994-1995 (see para. 39, draft resolution III).

5. Office of the Secretary-General in Afghanistan and Pakistan

31. The Committee considered this question at its 44th meeting, on 19 December. It had before it the report of the Secretary-General (A/C.5/48/41). The report of the Advisory Committee was presented orally by its Chairman.

32. At the same meeting, the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend that the General Assembly take note of the report of the Secretary-General (A/C.5/48/41) and the recommendations of the Advisory Committee (see para. 39, draft resolution III).

6. High-level posts

33. The Committee considered this question at its 44th meeting, on 19 December. It had before it the report of the Secretary-General (A/C.5/48/9 and Corr.1 and Add.1) and the related report of the Advisory Committee (A/48/7/Add.2).

34. At the same meeting, the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend that the General Assembly take note of the report of the Secretary-General on high-level posts and the report of the Advisory Committee, endorse the observations and recommendations of the Advisory Committee and decide to consider at its resumed forty-eighth session the report of the Secretary-General on special representatives, envoys and related positions (A/C.5/48/26) (see para. 39, draft resolution III).

7. International Computing Centre: 1994-1995 budget estimates

35. The Committee considered this question at its 45th meeting, on 21 December. It had before it the report of the Secretary-General (A/C.5/48/8). The report of the Advisory Committee was presented orally by its Chairman.

36. At the same meeting, the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend that the General Assembly approve the budget estimate for the 1994-1995 biennium amounting to $25,099,000 (see para. 39, draft resolution III).

8. Advisory Board on Disarmament Matters

37. The Committee considered this question at its 45th meeting, on 21 December. It had before it the report of the Secretary-General (A/C.5/48/16). The report of the Advisory Committee was presented orally by its Chairman.

38. At the same meeting, the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend that the General Assembly approve the recommendation of subvention of $220,000 from the regular budget of the United Nations for 1994 on the understanding that no additional appropriation would be required under section 3B of the programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995 (see para. 39, draft resolution III).

V. RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE

39. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolutions:

DRAFT RESOLUTION I

Questions relating to the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995

I

The General Assembly,

Reaffirming its resolution 41/213 of 19 December 1986 and subsequent relevant resolutions,

Recalling section VI, paragraph 1, of its resolution 45/248 B of 21 December 1990, in which it reaffirmed that the Fifth Committee is the appropriate Main Committee of the General Assembly entrusted with responsibilities for administrative and budgetary matters,

Recalling also its resolutions 45/253 of 21 December 1990 on programme planning and 47/213 of 23 December 1992 on the proposed programme budget outline for the biennium 1994-1995,

1. Endorses the conclusions and recommendations of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995 contained in the report on the work of the second part of its thirty-third session, 5/ without prejudice to the priorities established by the General Assembly;

2. Deplores the extraordinary and unacceptable delay in the submission of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995 6/ by the Secretary-General, which compelled the General Assembly and its subsidiary organs to conduct a review on the basis of incomplete and inadequately transparent proposals;

3. Stresses that the activities included in the proposed programme budget must be derived from the medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997, 7/ as adopted by the General Assembly in its resolutions 45/253 and 47/214 of 23 December 1992, and other relevant intergovernmental decisions, and should be aimed at the full implementation of the mandates, policies and priorities previously established;

4. Reaffirms its resolution 47/213;

5/ A/48/16 (Part II); to be issued in final form as Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 16 (A/48/16).

6/ A/48/6; to be issued in final form as Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 6 (A/48/6/Rev.1).

7/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 6 (A/47/6/Rev.1).

5. Requests the Secretary-General, taking into account paragraph 69 of the first report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995, 8/ to present extrabudgetary resources, including backstopping activities, in the proposed programme budget for 1996-1997 so as to show, to the extent possible, objects of expenditure, as is done in respect of the regular budget;

6. Regrets that the provisions of section III of resolution 47/212 B of 6 May 1993 have not been applied to the sections of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995;

7. Stresses the need for full and comprehensive information regarding the costing parameters applied in the programme budget, including instructions to programme managers on the preparation of the budget, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure that the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997 contains a clear indication of all the cost elements, including inflation, exchange fluctuations and others;

8. Requests the Board of Auditors, as part of its audit of financial systems during the audit of regular budget accounts, to review the development of assumptions used in the presentation of the programme budget and performance reports, with a view to suggesting improvements;

9. Requests the Secretary-General to present in future budget documents the actual regular budget and extrabudgetary expenditure by object of expenditure by section for the prior and current bienniums, with appropriate forecasts to the end of the current biennium, to enable comparison with the request contained in the proposed programme budget;

10. Also requests the Secretary-General to include every three months in his report on the status of contributions a summary financial statement;

11. Regrets that the Secretary-General has not responded to the requests contained in section II, paragraphs 8 to 10, of resolution 47/212 B;

12. Reiterates its request that the Secretary-General review the role of United Nations headquarters, centres, the regional commissions and entities in the field, in particular the centres at Vienna and Nairobi, with a view to improving the distribution of responsibilities among them on the basis of their relative advantages; submit proposals to reflect the status of the centre at Nairobi; and identify activities that would benefit from relocation to Vienna;

13. Urges the Secretary-General to submit adequate proposals in response to these requests at the earliest possible time, but no later than at the forty-ninth session of the General Assembly;

14. Reiterates its request that the Secretary-General review and develop procedures and norms, including workload analyses, to justify the creation,

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8/ A/48/7; to be issued in final form as Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 7 (A/48/7).

suppression, reclassification, conversion and redeployment of posts, as contained in section II, paragraph 2, of General Assembly resolution 46/185 B of 20 December 1991, and requests the Secretary-General to report thereon to the General Assembly at its forty-ninth session;

15. Stresses that, whenever a post becomes vacant, a proper programmatic/workload justification will be needed for its retention, abolition or redeployment;

16. Requests the Secretary-General to submit proposals relating to activities that may have become obsolete with a view to reallocating resources to priority areas;

17. Reaffirms the need for a comprehensive, substantive and timely dialogue between Member States and the Secretary-General on administrative and budgetary matters;

18. Recalls its resolution 47/211 of 23 December 1992, in which it approved, inter alia, the recommendations of the Board of Auditors with regard to payment to supernumerary staff contained in its report, 9/ and requests the Secretary-General to comply no later than 1 July 1994 and to report to the General Assembly at its forty-ninth session on its implementation in the context of the agenda item entitled "Personnel questions";

19. Endorses the recommendations and observations regarding the vacancy management system and "vacancy pool" contained in paragraphs 17 to 20 of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, 8/ and in this regard reiterates the obligation of the Secretary-General to comply with financial regulation 4.5 and rule 104.4 relative to transfers of resources between appropriation sections;

20. Requests the Secretary-General to consider the desirability and practicability of creating a new budget section relating to resources for the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and external oversight mechanisms, including the Board of Auditors and the Joint Inspection Unit, without prejudice to their existing mandates or their autonomy, bearing in mind paragraph (b) of decision 47/454 of 23 December 1992, and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its forty-ninth session;

21. Also requests the Secretary-General to respect fully the rules and regulations governing programme planning in the presentation of future proposed programme budgets;

22. Decides to make the following changes in the programmatic narrative in the final published version of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995:

9/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 5 (A/47/5).

(a) To replace the references to the report entitled "An Agenda for Peace" as a mandate with references to resolutions 47/120 A and B of 18 December 1992 and 20 September 1993, respectively;

(b) In section 3C:

(i) In paragraph 3C.36, after the words "resolution 46/137 of 17 December 1991", to include a reference to paragraph 4.37 of the medium-term plan, as amended in the annex to resolution 47/214;

(ii) To reformulate paragraph 3C.37 to ensure that references to procedures for electoral assistance duly reflect the provisions of the General Assembly and properly respect the agreed specific functions of the resident coordinators;

(c) To delete the reference to preventive diplomacy in the activities under section 3B, subprogramme 4;

(d) In section 21:

(i) To include reference to the Working Group on the Right to Development;

(ii) To insert the word "mandated" before each reference to fact-finding missions;

23. Requests the Secretary-General:

(a) To identify appropriate activities under section 9 of the proposed programme budget, with a view to implementing resolutions 44/215 of 22 December 1989 and 46/210 of 20 December 1991;

(b) To reformulate activities under section 9, subprogramme 5, in order to reflect all the aspects of the pertinent resolutions, as well as the relevant mandates of programme 21 of the medium-term plan, and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its forty-ninth session;

(c) To reformulate activities under section 10, programme 2, in accordance with the relevant mandates of programme 21 of the medium-term plan, and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its forty-ninth session;

(d) To transfer the responsibility related to the preparation of the reports on the new international humanitarian order from section 21 to section 23;

24. Also requests the Secretary-General to strengthen the coordination between the Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Branch and the United Nations International Drug Control Programme, taking into account the role of the Director-General at Vienna and the observations contained in paragraph IV.51 of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions; 8/

II

25. Approves the comments and recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions as expressed in chapter I of its first report on the proposed programme budget for 1994-1995, 8/ and requests the Secretary-General to take the necessary measures on them;

26. Takes note of the statement made by the Secretary-General to the Fifth Committee on 24 November 1993 regarding the temporary suspension of recruitment of Professional staff introduced in 1992 10/ and of paragraph 57 of the first report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;

27. Requests the Secretary-General to submit proposals to the General Assembly at its current session on the provision of and related arrangements for travel services and allowances, with a view to making more effective use of resources, taking into account the practices of Member States;

28. Decides that, until such time as posts have been reclassified according to prescribed internal procedures and approved by the General Assembly, no staff member encumbering a post under reclassification review shall be paid at the higher grade level;

29. Decides also that the total allocation for consultants and ad hoc experts will be maintained at its total revised appropriation amount for 1992-1993, and requests the Secretary-General to take action to make the best use of those resources, taking into account the relevant recommendations of the Board of Auditors and paragraph 74 of the first report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;

30. Decides further to set the vacancy factor in respect of General Service staff at 0.8 per cent;

31. Approves, subject to the modifications below, the recommendations and observations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions as expressed in chapter II of its first report on the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995, 8/ and requests the Secretary-General to take the necessary measures on them;

Section 1. Overall policy-making, direction and coordination

32. Accepts, in addition to the Advisory Committee's recommendations on this section, the establishment of one D-1, two P-3 and two General Service posts on a temporary basis for the Executive Office of the Secretary-General, decides to review the staffing of this Office, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure that there is no duplication with the work of other Secretariat units;

10/ See A/C.5/48/SR.24.

33. Invites Member States to make voluntary contributions for the financing of activities related to the fiftieth anniversary of the United Nations;

34. Requests the Secretary-General to clarify and review the distribution of responsibilities and liaison functions between the United Nations centres in Europe vis-à-vis organizations in Europe, taking into account all pertinent considerations and views expressed in the Fifth Committee;

35. Accepts the Secretary-General's proposals for an additional P-5 and an additional P-3 post for the Office of the Director-General of the United Nations Office at Geneva on a temporary basis and decides to keep under review the staffing of the Office of the Director-General on the basis of a report to be submitted to the General Assembly at its forty-ninth session;

Section 3. Political affairs

36. Notes that the Secretary-General's proposals for the merger of sections 3B and 3C of the programme budget should release resources for redeployment within this section;

37. Accepts the proposal of the Secretary-General for the conversion of the post of Director of the Regional Centre for Disarmament in Asia and the Pacific, from the date the Director is permanently located in the Centre at Kathmandu;

38. Also accepts the proposals of the Secretary-General for consultants and ad hoc expert groups for the Office of Disarmament Affairs;

Section 4. Peace-keeping operations and special missions

39. Takes note of the recommendation of the Advisory Committee in its report 11/ and the report of the Secretary-General on the support account for peace-keeping operations, 12/ and decides to consider the criteria for the scope and use of the support account for peace-keeping operations for headquarters support for peace-keeping operations at the earliest opportunity during its current session, and, pending the outcome of that review, authorizes the Secretary-General to continue current administrative arrangements concerning the situation room;

40. Decides to review, at its fiftieth session, the impact of the merger of the Field Operations Division into the Department of Peace-keeping Operations on the overall effectiveness of the Headquarters support system for peace-keeping operations and other field activities, on the basis of a report to be submitted on this matter;

11/ A/48/757.

12/ A/48/470.

Section 8. Department for Policy Coordination and Sustainable Development

41. Accepts the proposals of the Secretary-General for full funding for the ad hoc secretariat on desertification for 1994-1995, subject to any expenditure in 1995 being mandated by the appropriate intergovernmental body;

42. Endorses provisional financing for the Non-Governmental Liaison Service through the United Nations regular budget in the amount proposed by the Secretary-General, on the understanding that such financing should not be used for salaries, travel and representation activities of the staffs of non-governmental organizations; in this regard, the Secretary-General shall require a report from the Non-Governmental Liaison Service on the use of this amount, which will be subject to audit by appropriate bodies;

43. Notes the proposal of the Secretary-General regarding the New Agenda for Development in Africa for the 1990s, and requests the Secretary-General to consider the creation of a new budget section relating to this New Agenda with recommendations for additional resources and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its resumed forty-eighth session;

44. Accepts the proposals of the Secretary-General for the World Summit for Social Development, the Fourth World Conference on Women and the Global Conference on Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States in the light of the recommendation of the Committee for Programme and Coordination in paragraph 90 of its report, 5/ and requests the Secretary-General to ensure that adequate services and resources are provided for those events;

Section 9. Department for Economic and Social Information and Policy Analysis

45. Accepts the proposals of the Secretary-General for resources for the preparation and servicing of the International Conference on Population and Development;

46. Also accepts the level of resources recommended by the Advisory Committee, and requests the Secretary-General to provide adequate posts for activities dealing with micro-economic issues through redeployment;

Section 10. Department for Development Support and Management Services

47. Accepts on a provisional basis the proposal of the Secretary-General for section 10 related to regular budget funding, and requests a review of his proposals in the light of relevant recommendations and decisions of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme and the recommendations of the Advisory Committee;

48. Requests the Secretary-General, in the context of paragraph 33 of the report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination, 5/ to review the activities, resources and institutional and organizational arrangements of the Department for Development Support and Management Services, including those related to natural resources, and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its forty-ninth session with proposals aimed at the most effective delivery of technical cooperation to developing countries;

Section 11A. United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

49. Calls upon the Secretary-General to ensure that the distribution of resources between the subprogrammes of section 11A properly reflects the priorities agreed at the eighth session of the Conference at Cartagena de Indias, Colombia, taking into account the views of the Trade and Development Board, as well as the restructuring of the economic and social sectors;

50. Requests the Secretary-General to submit proposals for the implementation of section III, paragraph 4 (b), of its resolution 47/212 B in the context of his revised estimates for the biennium 1994-1995, and decides in the meantime to redeploy for activities for transnational corporations the temporary D-2 post proposed for abolition in paragraph 11A.57;

51. Accepts the proposal of the Secretary-General for resources for consultants and ad hoc expert groups as contained in paragraph 11A.159;

Section 11B. International Trade Centre UNCTAD/GATT

52. Reiterates its request in resolution 47/212 B, section I, paragraph 3 (b), for the prompt appointment of the Executive Director of the International Trade Centre UNCTAD/GATT;

Section 12B. United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat)

53. Reiterates its request in resolution 47/212 B, section I, paragraph 3 (c), and stresses the need for the Secretary-General to implement fully and promptly the decisions of the General Assembly contained therein;

54. Accepts the proposal of the Secretary-General for the staffing level for this budget section, as shown in the staffing table 12B.3;

55. Requests the Secretary-General to assure the allocation of adequate resources for the preparatory activities for the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements, to be held in 1996;

Section 15. Economic Commission for Africa

56. Requests the Secretary-General to keep the financial situation of the United Nations African Institute for the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders under active review and to submit proposals for any necessary additional funding for the Institute;

Section 21. Human rights

57. Accepts the proposals of the Secretary-General for the staffing resources for human rights activities;

58. Requests the Secretary-General to review the allocation of resources among the approved programmes in section 21 so as to ensure the most effective delivery of all mandated activities;

59. Takes note of the comments of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions in paragraph VI.2 of its report 8/ on section 21 of the proposed programme budget, in particular the issue of workload justification, and requests the Secretary-General to provide the information requested by the Advisory Committee for review by the General Assembly at its resumed forty-eighth session;

Section 22A. Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

60. Requests the Secretary-General and the High Commissioner for Refugees to review the existing arrangements for regular budget and extrabudgetary funding for the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, taking fully into account the increased demand upon the Office since 1989, and if necessary to submit proposals to the General Assembly at its forty-ninth session through the appropriate intergovernmental bodies;

Section 23. Department of Humanitarian Affairs

61. Accepts one additional D-1 post located at Geneva and one additional P-2 post located in New York, decides to increase the reduction proposed by the Advisory Committee in its report from three to five General Service posts, and requests the Secretary-General to keep the staffing needs of this section under review;

Section 24. Public information

62. Requests the Secretary-General to review the requirements of the Department of Public Information, taking into account its role, functioning and activities, with a view to making it more effective, more relevant and more cost-effective and enhancing its ability to respond to the mandates entrusted to it;

63. Also requests the Secretary-General to review the resources devoted to public information activities currently proposed outside section 24, to assess their use and to examine the viability and implications of their possible consolidation within that section;

Section 25. Administration and management

64. Requests the Secretary-General to study the management and organizational structure of the Department of Administration and Management, in particular the senior posts structure, and the possible consolidation of administrative functions in various units of the Secretariat, and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its forty-ninth session;

65. Also requests the Secretary-General, in the light of paragraph VIII.23 of the report of the Advisory Committee, 8/ to submit a report to the General Assembly at its resumed forty-eighth session giving justification for his proposals to abolish nineteen posts in the Office of Conference Services, describing carefully the impact of such proposals on activities of the Office of Conference Services and programme delivery and to submit proposals in this regard;

66. Further requests the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its forty-ninth session a comprehensive study on the organization, management and human resources requirements for the provision of adequate conference services as a basis for the consideration of his proposals for the regular budget for the biennium 1996-1997, and also requests him to provide Member States with previous studies on this matter that were carried out during the biennium 1992-1993;

67. Notes that the proposed increase in the section for the Department of Administration and Management is not fully justified;

68. Also notes the growing imbalance between proposed expenditures for administrative matters and those for substantive issues;

69. Further notes the observation of the Committee for Programme and Coordination in paragraph 35 of its report 5/ that preference should be given to the redeployment of the proposed increase to the extent possible to priority areas;

Section 27. Special expenses

70. Expresses concern about the high costs of after-service health insurance, and requests the Secretary-General to seek ways and means to reduce the increases in these costs;

Section 30. Construction, alteration, improvement and major maintenance

71. Accepts the recommendations of the Advisory Committee, and decides to further reduce by 6 million United States dollars the proposed estimates of the Secretary-General for alterations, improvements and major maintenance at major headquarters locations.

DRAFT RESOLUTION II

Unforeseen and extraordinary expenses for the biennium 1994-1995

The General Assembly

1. Authorizes the Secretary-General, with the prior concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and subject to the Financial Regulations of the United Nations and the provisions of paragraph 3 below, to enter into commitments in the biennium 1994-1995 to meet unforeseen and extraordinary expenses arising either during or subsequent to that biennium, provided that the concurrence of the Advisory Committee shall not be necessary for:

(a) Such commitments, not exceeding a total of 5 million United States dollars in any one year of the biennium 1994-1995, as the Secretary-General certifies relate to the maintenance of peace and security;

(b) Such commitments as the President of the International Court of Justice certifies relate to expenses occasioned by:

(i) The designation of ad hoc judges (Statute of the International Court of Justice, Article 31), not exceeding a total of 300,000 dollars;

(ii) The appointment of assessors (Statute, Article 30), or the calling of witnesses and the appointment of experts (Statute, Article 50), not exceeding a total of 50,000 dollars;

(iii) The maintenance in office for completion of the cases of judges (schedule A) who have not been re-elected (Statute, Article 13, paragraph 3), not exceeding a total of 40,000 dollars;

(iv) The payment of pensions and travel and removal expenses of retiring judges, and travel and removal expenses and installation grant of members of the Court (schedules B and C) (Statute, Article 32, paragraph 7) not exceeding a total of 180,000 dollars;

(v) The holding of sessions of the Court away from The Hague (Statute, Article 22), not exceeding a total of 50,000 dollars;

(c) Such commitments, in an amount not exceeding 500,000 dollars, in the biennium 1994-1995, as the Secretary-General certifies are required for interorganizational security measures pursuant to section IV of General Assembly resolution 36/235 of 18 December 1981;

2. Resolves that the Secretary-General shall report to the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and to the General Assembly at its forty-ninth and fiftieth sessions all commitments made under the provisions of the present resolution, together with the circumstances relating thereto, and shall submit supplementary estimates to the Assembly in respect of such commitments;

3. Decides that, for the biennium 1994-1995, if a decision of the Security Council results in the need for the Secretary-General to enter into commitments relating to the maintenance of peace and security in an amount exceeding 10 million dollars in respect of the decision, that matter shall be brought to the General Assembly or, if the Assembly is suspended or not in session, a resumed or special session of the Assembly shall be convened by the Secretary-General to consider the matter.

DRAFT RESOLUTION III

Questions relating to the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995

The General Assembly

I

United Nations Observer Mission in South Africa

1. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General 13/ and endorses the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions; 14/

2. Concurs in particular with paragraph 8 of the recommendations of the Advisory Committee;

3. Requests the Secretary-General, in administering the appropriation, to take full account of the recommendations in paragraphs 9 and 10 of the report of the Advisory Committee.

II

Revised estimates under sections 25, Administration and management, and 31, Office for Inspections and Investigations

1. Takes note of the reports of the Secretary-General 15/ and the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;

2. Approves the proposals made by the Secretary-General in paragraph 32 of his report 16/ regarding the redeployment of resources from section 25, Administration and management, to section 31, Office for Inspections and Investigations, of the programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995;

13/ A/C.5/48/28.

14/ A/48/745.

15/ A/C.5/48/42 and A/C.5/48/9 and Corr.1 and Add.1.

16/ A/C.5/48/42.

3. Decides to continue the current arrangements as contained in the report of the Secretary-General, 17/ pending a review of the issue at its resumed forty-eighth session.

III

Revised estimates resulting from resolutions and decisions of the Economic and Social Council at its organizational and substantive sessions of 1993

Approves, on an exceptional basis, the travel expenses of the representatives of the least developed countries attending the regional preparatory meetings of the Ninth United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders and the Congress itself in accordance with the request in Economic and Social Council resolution 1993/32 of 27 July 1993.

IV

Financing of the International Civilian Mission to Haiti

1. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General; 18/

2. Endorses the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions in its report; 19/

3. Approves the estimate of 4,000,000 United States dollars for the International Civilian Mission to Haiti for the period 1 January to 31 March 1994;

4. Authorizes the Secretary-General, should the Mission continue beyond 31 March 1994, to seek the concurrence of the Advisory Committee to enter into related commitments under the terms of the General Assembly resolution on unforeseen and extraordinary expenses for the biennium 1994-1995.

V

High-level posts

1. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General 17/ and the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions; 20/

2. Endorses the observations and recommendations of the Advisory Committee;

17/ A/C.5/48/9 and Corr.1 and Add.1.

18/ A/C.5/48/27.

19/ A/48/7/Add.3, para. 6.

20/ A/48/7/Add.2.

3. Decides to consider at its resumed forty-eighth session the report of the Secretary-General on special representatives, envoys and related positions. 21/

VI

International Computing Centre: 1994-1995 budget estimates

1. Approves the 1994-1995 budget estimates amounting to $25,099,000, as contained in the report of the Secretary-General. 22/

VII

Advisory Board on Disarmament Matters

1. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General 23/ and the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;

2. Approves the subvention of $220,000 from the regular budget of the United Nations for 1994.

VIII

Contingency Fund

Notes that a balance of $16,044,100 remains in the Contingency Fund.

DRAFT RESOLUTION IV

Programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995

A

Budget appropriations for the biennium 1994-1995

The General Assembly

Resolves that for the biennium 1994-1995:

21/ A/C.5/48/26.

22/ A/C.5/48/8.

23/ A/C.5/48/16.

1. Appropriations totalling 2,580,200,200 United States dollars are hereby voted for the following purposes:

Section		(United States dollars)
PART I.	Overall policy-making, direction and coordination	
	1. Overall policy-making, direction and coordination	37 049 800
	Total, part I	37 049 800
PART II.	Political affairs	
	3. Political affairs	67 923 600
	4. Peace-keeping operations and special missions	101 573 200
	Total, part II	169 496 800
PART III.	International justice and law	
	5. International Court of Justice	18 329 400
	7. Legal activities	32 490 000
	Total, part III	50 819 400
PART IV.	International cooperation for development	
	8. Department for Policy Coordination and Sustainable Development	50 355 600
	9. Department for Economic and Social Information and Policy Analysis	46 815 700
	10. Department for Development Support and Management Services	29 385 800
	11A. United Nations Conference on Trade and Development	108 296 400
	11B. International Trade Centre	19 982 200
	12A. United Nations Environment Programme	11 384 500
	12B. United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat)	11 854 300

Section		(United States dollars)
	13. Crime control	4 638 200
	14. International drug control	13 998 700
	Total, part IV	296 711 400
PART V.	Regional cooperation for development	
	15. Economic Commission for Africa	78 020 100
	16. Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific	59 846 200
	17. Economic Commission for Europe	44 684 500
	18. Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean	79 992 600
	19. Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia	38 226 600
	20. Regular programme of technical cooperation	42 910 000
	Total, part V	343 680 000
PART VI.	Human rights and humanitarian affairs	
	21. Human rights	36 063 300
	22A. Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees	45 329 400
	22B. United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East	21 007 900
	23. Department of Humanitarian Affairs	18 541 200
	Total, part VI	120 941 800
PART VII.	Public information	
	24. Public information	133 145 300
	Total, part VII	133 145 300

Section		(United States dollars)
PART VIII.	Common support services	
	25. Administration and management	876 856 000
	Total, part VIII	876 856 000
PART IX.	Jointly financed activities and special expenses	
	26. Jointly financed administrative activities	26 192 800
	27. Special expenses	31 780 400
	Total, part IX	57 973 200
PART X.	Staff assessment	
	28. Staff assessment	404 949 000
	Total, part X	404 949 000
PART XI.	Capital expenditures	
	29. Technological innovations	18 841 500
	30. Construction, alteration, improvement and major maintenance	58 306 900
	Total, part XI	77 148 400
PART XII.	Office for Inspections and Investigations	
	31. Office for Inspections and Investigations	11 429 100
	Total, part XII	11 429 100
	Grand total	2 580 200 200

2. The Secretary-General shall be authorized to transfer credits between sections of the budget, with the concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;

3. The total net provision made under the various sections of the budget for contractual printing shall be administered as a unit under the direction of the United Nations Publications Board;

4. The appropriations for the regular programme of technical cooperation under section 20, part V, shall be administered in accordance with the Financial Regulations of the United Nations, except that the definition of obligations and the period of validity of obligations shall be subject to the following procedures;

(a) Obligations for personal services established in the current biennium shall be valid for the succeeding biennium, provided that appointments of the experts concerned are effected by the end of the current biennium and that the total period to be covered by obligations established for these purposes against the resources of the current biennium does not exceed twenty-four months;

(b) Obligations established in the current biennium for fellowships shall remain valid until liquidated, provided that the fellow has been nominated by the requesting Government and accepted by the Organization, and that a formal letter of award has been issued to the requesting Government;

(c) Obligations in respect of contracts or purchase order for supplies or equipment recorded in the current biennium will remain valid until payment is effected to the contractor or vendor, unless they are cancelled;

5. In addition to the appropriations approved under paragraph 1 above, an amount of 51,000 dollars is appropriated for each year of the biennium 1994-1995 from the accumulated income of the Library Endowment Fund for the purchase of books, periodicals, maps and library equipment and for such other expenses of the Library at the Palais des Nations as are in accordance with the objects and provisions of the endowment.

B

Income estimates for the biennium 1994-1995

The General Assembly

Resolves that for the biennium 1994-1995:

1. Estimates of income other than assessments on Member States totalling 477,401,700 United States dollars are approved as follows:

Income section		(United States dollars)
1.	Income from staff assessment	411 364 200
2.	General income	59 258 800
3.	Services to the public	6 778 700
	Total	477 401 700

2. The income from staff assessment shall be credited to the Tax Equalization Fund in accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955;

3. Direct expenses of the United Nations Postal Administration, services to visitors, catering and related services, garage operations, television services and the sale of publications, not provided for under the budget appropriations, shall be charged against the income derived from those activities.

C

Financing of appropriations for the year 1994

The General Assembly

Resolves that for the year 1994:

1. Budget appropriations in a total amount of 1,234,045,900 United States dollars, consisting of 1,290,100,100 dollars, being half of the appropriations approved for the biennium 1994-1995 by the General Assembly under paragraph 1 of resolution A above less 56,054,200 dollars, being the decrease in revised appropriations for 1992-1993 approved by the General Assembly in resolution 48/219 A of 23 December 1993, shall be financed in accordance with regulations 5.1 and 5.2 of the Financial Regulations of the United Nations as follows:

(a) 33,018,750 dollars, being the net of half of the estimated income other than staff assessment approved for the biennium 1994-1995 under resolution B above increased by 2,124,600 dollars, being the increase in estimated income other than staff assessment for 1992-1993 approved by the General Assembly in its resolution 48/219 B of 23 December 1993;

(b) 1,198,902,550 dollars, being the assessment on Member States in accordance with General Assembly resolution 48/223 of 23 December 1993 on the scale of assessments for the years 1994 and 1995;

2. There shall be set off against the assessment on Member States, in accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund in the total amount of 175,860,700 dollars consisting of:

(a) 205,681,600 dollars, being half of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the biennium 1994-1995 under resolution B above;

(b) Less 29,820,900 dollars, being the decrease in tne revised income from staff assessment for the biennium 1992-1993 approved by the General Assembly in its resolution 48/219 B of 23 December 1993.

DRAFT RESOLUTION V

Working Capital Fund for the biennium 1994-1995

The General Assembly

Resolves that:

1. The Working Capital Fund shall be established for the biennium 1994-1995 in the amount of 100 million United States dollars;

2. Member States shall make advances to the Working Capital Fund in accordance with the scale adopted by the General Assembly for contributions of Member States to the budget for the year 1994;

3. There shall be set off against this allocation of advances:

(a) Credits to Member States resulting from transfers made in 1959 and 1960 from the surplus account to the Working Capital Fund in an adjusted amount of 1,025,092 dollars;

(b) Cash advances paid by Member States to the Working Capital Fund for the biennium 1994-1995 in accordance with General Assembly resolution 46/188 of 20 December 1991;

4. Should the credits and advances paid by any Member State to the Working Capital Fund for the biennium 1992-1993 exceed the amount of that Member State's advance under the provisions of paragraph 2 above, the excess shall be set off against the amount of the contributions payable by the Member State in respect of the biennium 1994-1995;

5. The Secretary-General is authorized to advance from the Working Capital Fund:

(a) Such sums as may be necessary to finance budgetary appropriations pending the receipt of contributions; sums so advanced shall be reimbursed as soon as receipts from contributions are available for the purpose;

(b) Such sums as may be necessary to finance commitments that may be duly authorized under the provisions of the resolutions adopted by the General Assembly, in particular resolution 48/229 of 23 December 1993 relating to unforeseen and extraordinary expenses; the Secretary-General shall make provision in the budget estimates for reimbursing the Working Capital Fund;

(c) Such sums as may be necessary to continue the revolving fund to finance miscellaneous self-liquidating purchases and activities which, together with net sums outstanding for the same purpose, do not exceed 200,000 dollars; advances in excess of the total of 200,000 dollars may be made with the prior concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;

(d) With the prior concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, such sums as may be required to finance payments of advance insurance premiums where the period of insurance extends beyond the end of the biennium in which payment is made; the Secretary-General shall make provision in the budget estimates of each biennium, during the life of the related policies, to cover the charges applicable to each biennium;

(e) Such sums as may be necessary to enable the Tax Equalization Fund to meet current commitments pending the accumulation of credits; such advances shall be repaid as soon as credits are available in the Tax Equalization Fund;

6. Should the provision in paragraph 1 above prove inadequate to meet the purposes normally related to the Working Capital Fund, the Secretary-General is authorized to utilize, in the biennium 1994-1995, cash from special funds and accounts in his custody, under the conditions approved in General Assembly resolution 1341 (XIII) of 13 December 1958, or the proceeds of loans authorized by the Assembly.

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40. The Fifth Committee also recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft decision:

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995

The General Assembly notes the significant increase in the common staff costs of salaries and overtime payments, particularly with respect to security officers, and requests the Board of Auditors in its audit of the 1992-1993 accounts of the United Nations to pay particular attention to this matter.